Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached replacement drawing sheet makes changes to Figs. 1, 6 and 17 and replaces the original sheets with Figs. 1 and 2, Figs. 5 and 6, and Fig. 17, respectively.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets (3)

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, and 4-6 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 4 and 5 are amended. The Amendments add no new matter.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claims 1, 2, and 4-6 are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance except for correction of formal matters.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representative by Examiner Lee in the telephone interviews on August 23, 28 and 29, 2006. During the telephone interview, Examiner Lee clarified the corrections required by the Office Action and indicated that a further communication clarifying the response period would be mailed.

The Office Action requires correction of the specification, the drawings and the claims to place the application in condition for allowance.

The specification and claims are amended in accordance with the Office Action's comments, as clarified by Examiner Lee during the telephone interviews.

Further, based on the discussion during the telephone interviews, Fig. 1 is corrected to include a ground conductor 101 and a line shape conductor 103 for the first waveguide 10 illustrated in Fig. 1, based on original Fig. 21A. Although Applicant believes that such correction is not necessary because the language referenced in the Office Action is not recited in the claims, Applicant submits the requested change in view of Examiner Lee's comments during the telephone interviews to expedite allowance of this application. Similar changes are made to Figs. 6 and 17 for clarity and consistency.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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Replacement Drawing Sheets (3)

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